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**BRASS KNOB MISSION 3666**  
**18 JULY 1963**



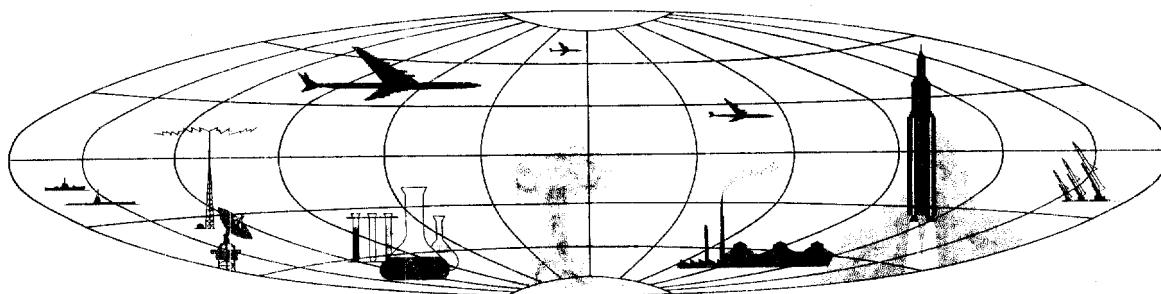
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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3666, DATED 18 JULY 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

25X1A

GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1 2257N 08239W

OBSERVED AT THE SITE WERE 5 CARGO/FLATBED TRAILER TRUCKS, APPROXIMATELY 3 PROBABLE CARGO TRUCKS, AND 4 STACKS OF COVERED UNIDENTIFIED MATERIAL. APPROXIMATELY 8 TRUCKS WERE OBSERVED ON THE ROAD LEADING TO THE SITE.  
(SEE ATTACHMENT 1)

25X1D

25X1A

MARIEL PORT AND NAVAL AIR STATION 2301N 08245W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
VESSELS -- 6 KOMAR-CLASS PGMG, 3 PROBABLE KOMAR-CLASS PGMG AT SEA, AND ONE PF [REDACTED] 25X1D  
NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED AT NAVAL AIR STATION. SIXTEEN UNIDENTIFIED CRATES ON APRON AT NAVAL AIR STATION (14 OF WHICH WERE OBSERVED BUT NOT REPORTED ON [REDACTED])  
(SEE ATTACHMENT 2)

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25X1D

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-MISSILES-

GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2 2257N 08236W

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NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

25X1A

TAPASTE AREA, STORAGE SITES 2303N 08207W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

25X1A

MARIEL SAM SITE 2300N 08249W

SIX REVETTED LAUNCHERS, 6 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE  
TRANSPORTERS AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.  
HAZE PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2257N 08221W

AT LEAST 18 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS OBSERVED.  
HAZE PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

MANAGUA SAM SITE 2259N 08215W

FOUR REVETTED LAUNCHERS AND RADAR OBSERVED.  
HAZE PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

SANTA CRUZ DEL NORTE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2309N 08156W

TWO REVETTED LAUNCHERS, 10 CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES, A  
CANVAS-COVERED VEHICLE PARK, AND A REVETTED GUIDANCE-  
CONTROL AREA OBSERVED.  
HAZE AND DARKNESS PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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CAMPO FLORIDO CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2306N 08211W

TWO LAUNCHERS, 10 CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES, ONE PROBABLE CRUISE-MISSILE IN THE OPEN AREA ADJACENT TO CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES AND 5 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS OBSERVED. HAZE AND DARKNESS PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2300N 08250W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE

25X1D

-AIRFIELDS-

25X1A

CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD 2229N 07955W

AIRCRAFT -- 8 FAGOT/FRESCO AND ONE PROBABLE LIAISON.

25X1D

25X1A

SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W

AIRCRAFT -- 15 FISHBED, AT LEAST 32 UNIDENTIFIED SWEEP-WING AIRCRAFT, AND ONE HOUND OBSERVED. OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE CLEAT, ONE COOT, 2 BRITANNIA, 3 CONSTELLATION, 3 CRATE, 3 C-54, 4 C-46, ONE LODESTAR, AND ONE LIAISON.

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CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE FAGOT/FRESCO, ONE PBY, ONE C-47, ONE CRATE, 2 COLT, ONE POSSIBLE C-45, AND 41 LIAISON.

25X1D

25X1A

PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

AIRCRAFT -- 58 HOUND, 4 HARE, 2 BELL HELICOPTERS, ONE CRATE, AND ONE CAB.

25X1D

-PORTS-

25X1A

CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED.  
HEAVY CLOUDS PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

SANTA LUCIA PORT 2240N 08358W

NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

25X1A

MATANZAS PORT 2303N 08134W

VESSELS -- 3 LARGE FREIGHTERS OBSERVED.  
HAZE PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

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HAVANA PORT 2308N 08221W

VESSELS -- 5 KRONSTADT-CLASS PC, 2 PCE, 3 PF, 2 PT, 27 LARGE FREIGHTERS, 6 COASTAL FREIGHTERS, ONE LARGE TANKER, ONE COASTAL TANKER, ONE PASSENGER VESSEL, AND 8 TRAWLERS.

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CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D



-ELECTRONICS-

25X1A



HAVANA AREA, COMMUNICATION CENTER 2301N 08225W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE



25X1D



-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

25X1A



ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP 2251N 08248W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE



SCATTERED CLOUDS AND HAZE LIMIT INTERPRETATION.

25X1D



25X1A



LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08242W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.

NINETEEN VAN TRUCKS AND 10 OTHER TRUCKS OBSERVED.

25X1D



25X1A



CABANAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2256N 08251W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.

DARKNESS LIMITS INTERPRETATION.

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MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2307N 08211W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

25X1A

HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2301N 08226W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

25X1A

TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX 2259N 08228W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE

25X1D

25X1A

NAZARENO, MILITARY AREA 2258N 08214W

TEN TANKS/SP GUNS OBSERVED.  
HAZE PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

CAMPO FLORIDO, MILITARY CAMP 2307N 08206W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
THIRTEEN TANKS/SP GUNS AND 14 CARGO TRUCKS OBSERVED.

25X1D

25X1A

BAJURAYABO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2308N 08210W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
THIRTY-ONE TRUCKS AND 14 FA PIECES.

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GUANABACOA, MILITARY AREA 2307N 08215W

EAST AREA -- 30 VEHICLES AND APPROXIMATELY 6 FA  
PIECES.  
WEST AREA -- 25 VEHICLES AND APPROXIMATELY 20 FA  
PIECES.  
HAZE PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

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GUANE, MILITARY CAMP 2212N 08408W

NINE TANKS/SP GUNS OBSERVED.  
DARKNESS PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

LOMAS TETAS DE MANAGUA, TANK PARK 2258N 08219W

NINE TANKS/SP GUNS OBSERVED.  
HAZE PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

GUANAJAY MILITARY CAMP MARTIN MESA 2257N 08243W

EIGHTEEN TANKS/SP GUNS AND APPROXIMATELY 60 OTHER  
VEHICLES OBSERVED.  
DARKNESS AND CLOUD SHADOW PRECLUDE FURTHER  
INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

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GUAYABAL MILITARY AREA 2254N 08237W

FIFTEEN FA PIECES AND 4 POSSIBLE AAA PIECES OBSERVED.  
SCATTERED CLOUDS AND HAZE PRECLUDE FURTHER  
INTERPRETATION.

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-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

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BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES 2256N 08223W

AT LEAST 9 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED IN  
HEADQUARTERS AREA.  
HAZE AND OBLIQUITY LIMIT INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO APPARENT CHANGE  
SINCE LAST COVERAGE--

25X1A

REMEDIOS IRBM SITE	2225N 07935W
SANTA LUCIA SAM SITE	2241N 08355W
MESTANZA, EXPLOSIVES STORAGE SITE	2228N 08347W
MINAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2306N 08211W
SPECIAL AREA HOTEL	2301N 08246W
SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE	2250N 08233W
SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED	2254N 08231W
SPECIAL AREA VICTOR	2300N 08234W
SPECIAL AREA TANGO	2258N 08244W
TARARA LANDING BEACH	2310N 08212W
SAN FRANCISCO DE PAULA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE	2303N 08218W

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT  
NOT INTERPRETED --

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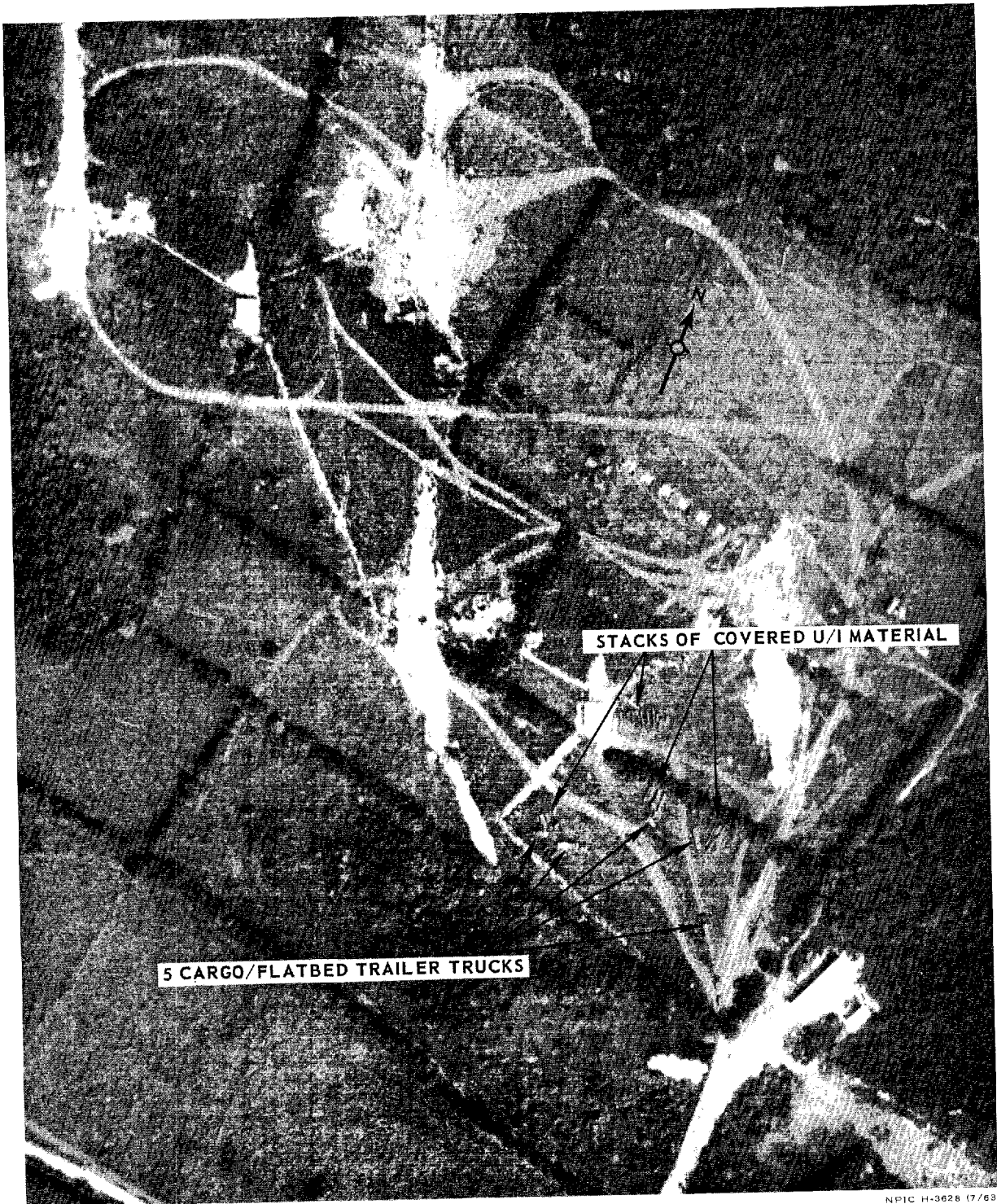
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SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD SAM SITE	2205N 08409W
MATANZAS SAM SITE	2301N 08129W
CAIBARIEN SAM SITE	2228N 07929W
MAJANA SAM SITE	2241N 08249W
SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD	2206N 08409W
JAIME GONZALES AIRFIELD	2209N 08025W
CABANAS, NAVAL FACILITY	2258N 08258W
SURGIDERO DE BATABAND PORT	2241N 08218W
BAHIA HONDA PORT	2255N 08311W
LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE	2252N 08233W
BAHIA HONDA, MILITARY CAMP	2258N 08311W
REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2227N 07934W
SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2258N 08220W
SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY	2221N 07957W
MADRUGA, POL STORAGE	2256N 08149W
LIMONAR AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2256N 08124W
MANAGUA, MILITARY CAMP	2258N 08217W
LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP	2301N 08213W
HAVANA AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2301N 08218W
ZARAGOZA AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2256N 08204W
SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, PROB AMMO STGE	2257N 08211W
EL CRIOLLO, MILITARY CAMP	2259N 08225W
HAVANA VEHICLE PARK	2309N 08215W
GUANABANA, MILITARY AREA	2258N 08132W
LIMONAR, TANK TRAINING AREA	2254N 08122W
GUANABANA AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2258N 08134W
CEIBA MOCHA, MILITARY AREA	2257N 08143W
SANTA CLARA AREA, ARTILLERY TRAINING AREA	2224N 08000W
SPECIAL AREA ALPHA	2258N 08227W
MATANZAS LANDING BEACH	2301N 08126W
MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE	2258N 08218W

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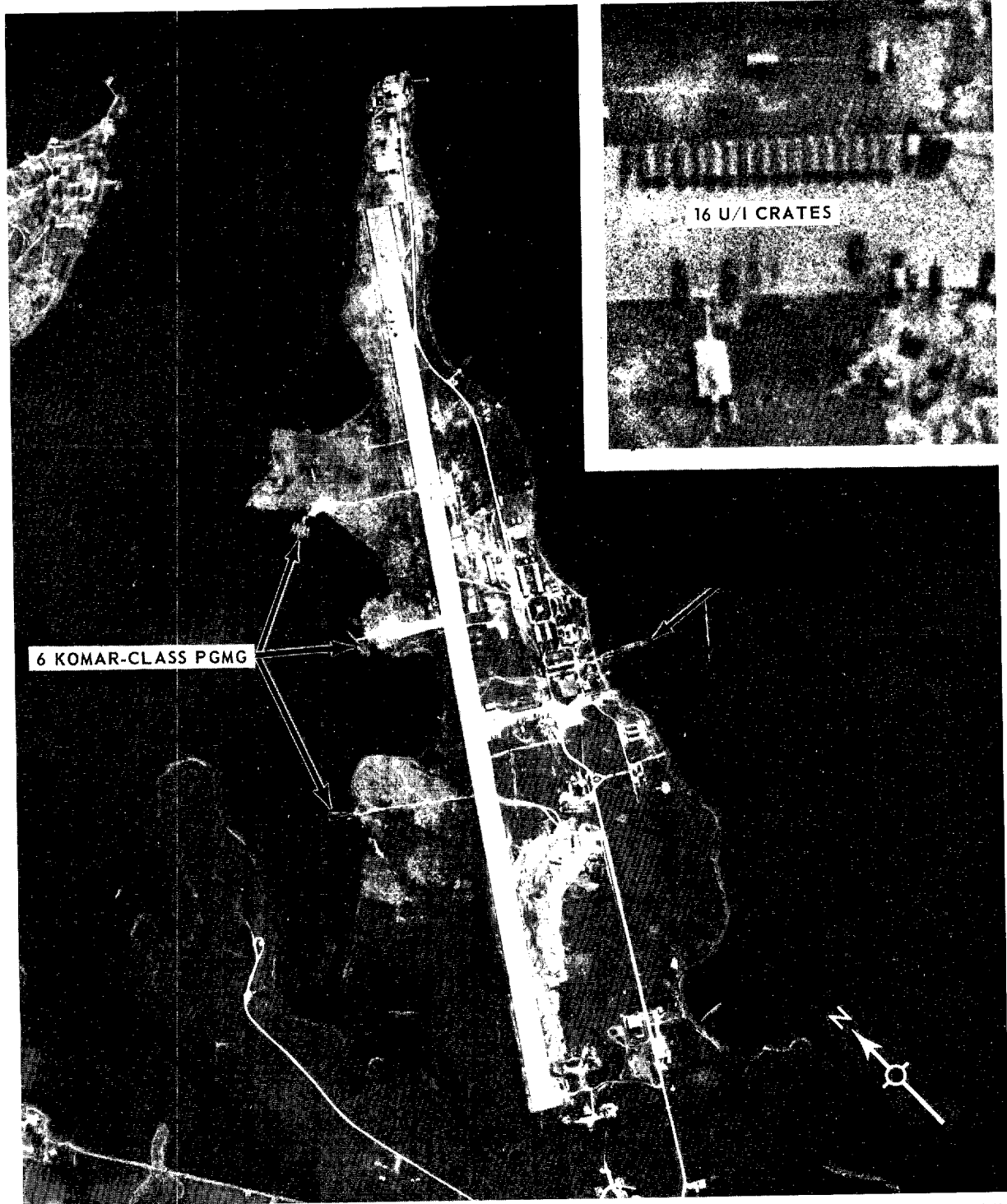


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GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1

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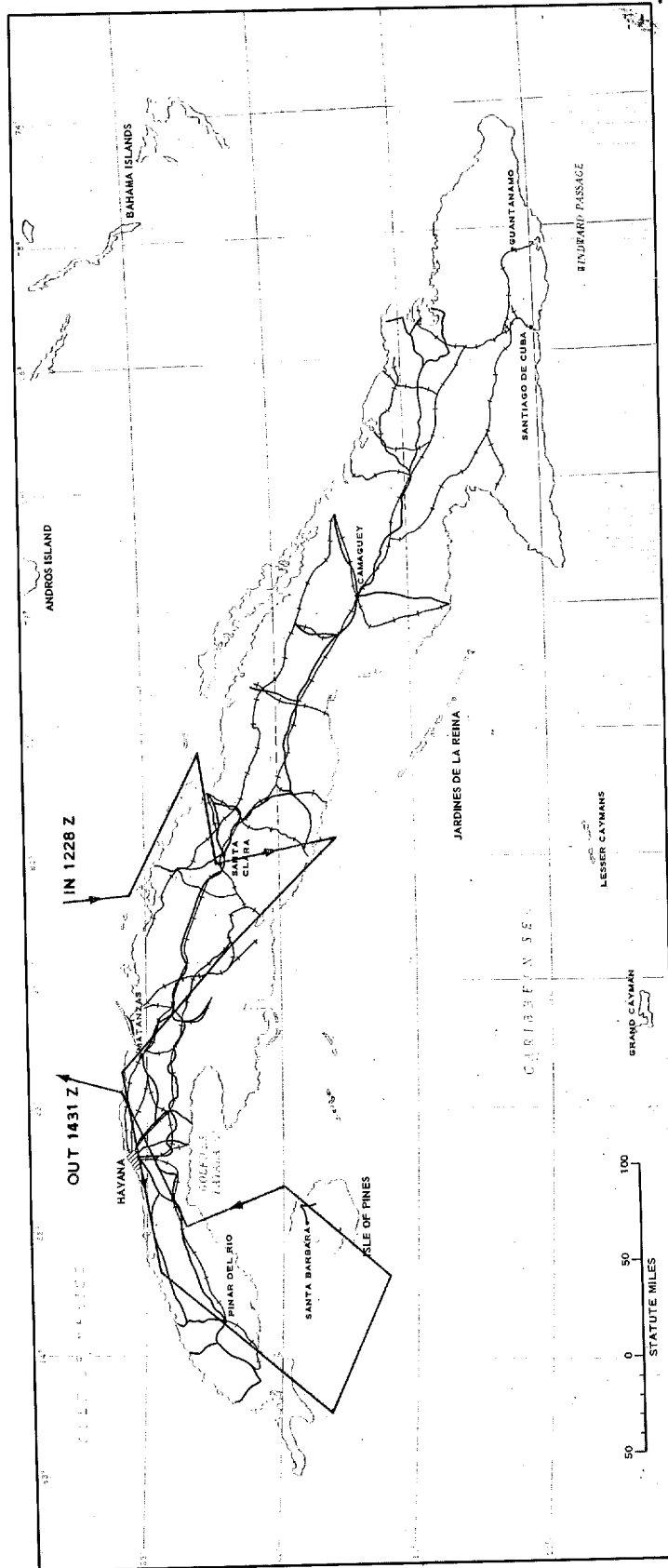
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MARIEL PORT AND NAVAL AIR STATION

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